

## House Resolution 583

By: Representatives Benton of the 31<sup>st</sup> and McCall of the 30<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Remembering and honoring the life of Mr. William M. Barnett; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. William M. Barnett, a native of Washington, Georgia, attended Emory  
3 University where he graduated in 1935; and

4 WHEREAS, he began his distinguished career in education in Toccoa, Georgia, and served  
5 the City of Toccoa schools for 24 years as a principal and later as the superintendent of  
6 schools; and

7 WHEREAS, until his retirement in 1977, he was the superintendent of Commerce schools  
8 where he again earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues; and

9 WHEREAS, he and his wife, Mrs. Frances Armour Barnett, who was an English teacher,  
10 enjoyed 51 years of marriage and are fondly remembered by generations of students in both  
11 Toccoa and Commerce; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Barnett was an outstanding community leader who served on numerous  
13 boards benefiting the Commerce community and was a member of the First United Methodist  
14 Church of Commerce and a member of the Kiwanis Club for 55 years; and

15 WHEREAS, with the passing of Mr. William M. Barnett, the State of Georgia has lost a most  
16 esteemed citizen, educator, and public servant.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
18 the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of Mr.  
19 William M. Barnett and extend their most sincere condolences to his family.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. William
- 3 M. Barnett.